

REMARKS

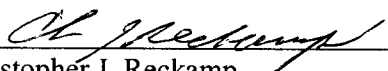
Applicant respectfully traverses and requests reconsideration.

Applicant's attorney wishes to thank the Examiner for the voice message of August 4, 2006, indicating that claims 35-38 would be allowable. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejections of the pending independent claims but for purposes of expediency, has amended independent claims 21, 22, and 23 with the subject matter indicated to be allowable. As such, the claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuation application directed to other claim scope.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. The Examiner is invited to contact the below-listed attorney if the Examiner believes that a telephone conference will advance the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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